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- Between 5 and 10 September 1951, 350 troops of an artillery battalion of the 44 Army equipped with 5 long-range guns, 25 trench mortars, 30 heavy and light machine guns, were stationed at Chihwan (赤灣), Paoan. An additional 250 troops of the same army were in the above area to assist in defense and to maintain security patrols to prevent leaks concerning emplacements. The troops were ordered not to associate with the local populace.
- In mid-September ten Soviet model Ch'i Yueh (基悅) tanks<sup>1</sup> were observed parked near the former office of the Shashen (沙深) Public Security Unit, Lohuts'un (羅湖村). The tanks were driven by Soviets. Fifty-six men of a special service battalion of the 44 Army were also stationed there.
- In mid-September, 120 men of the special service battalion of the 44 Army were in civilian homes near the primary school east of Lohuts'un. Four tanks driven by Japanese were also there.
- Between 5 and 10 September, 320 troops of a battalion of the 37 Army, equipped with 7 heavy machine guns, 12 light machine guns, 50 carbines and Tommy guns, and some Model 79 rifles, were stationed at Want'ou (113-56, 22-31). The battalion commander was identified as TSING Chao-nien (曾兆年), 36 years old and a native of Honan. Battalion headquarters was in Wenchiatzu (文家祠), in Want'ou market. The troops were overheard speaking Cantonese dialect.
- On 12 September, 2,000 Chinese Communist troops arrived at Changmut'ou (114-06, 22-53). One thousand immediately encamped in an open space near the town of Lints'un (林利). The remainder were billeted in the town proper. The troops appeared to be in transit.

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6. In mid-September, 220 men and officers of the 130 Division, 44 Army, under the command of TENG Hsi-ch'ieh (鄧錫節) were stationed at the North Gate, Shench'uan (114-08, 22-32).
7. In mid-September an artillery battalion of the 44 Army, comprising 350 officers and men, equipped with 14 long range guns, 18 Japanese-type howitzers, 29 grenade launchers, 15 heavy machine guns, and 60 carbines and tommy guns, were stationed at the theater building behind Hsiaoan (小站) and Tachan (大站), Shench'uan. The battalion commander was LI Chih-hang (李智航), who also was deputy regimental commander. Most of the troops of this unit speak a North China dialect and the others an east Kwangtung dialect.
8. In mid-September, 260 men of a Kwangtung revenue regiment was stationed at Lohuts'un<sup>2</sup> opposite the customs office. The present duties of these men are to assist customs in suppressing smuggling.
9. In mid-September, 420 infantry men from a Kwangtung public security regiment were at Huangpeiling (黃背嶺), near Hupei (湖背).

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10. On 25 September TSENG Sheng, six of his staff officers, and four Soviet advisers inspected the Wanshan Islands. As a result, 46 large lighters and 300 civilian laborers will soon be used in connection with a shipment of steel bars, cement, and other construction materials from the Shihch'i (113-22, 22-30) area to the Wanshan Islands for the construction of defenses on those islands.

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1. Comment. Possibly this is the KV tank which is considered obsolete but may be used for training.
2. Comment. Possibly in the Shench'uan area.

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